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1. DELEGATION FROM BAHRAIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM VISIT TO MAINLAND CHINA AND REPUBLIC OF CHINA. A KEY MEMBER OF CHAMBER HAS APPROACHED US CONCERNING A SIMILAR VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. BAHRAIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS BLUE-RIBBON ORGANIZATION COMPOSED OF INDIVIDUALS WITH CAPACITY AND INTEREST FOR GREATER TRADE CONTACTS WITH U.S. FIRM OF MEMBER WHO APPROACHED US, FOR EXAMPLE, WILL BE OPENING BRANCH OFFICE IN HOUSTON.

2. BAHRAIN CHAMBER WLXSD APPRECIATE COORDINATED INVITATIONS FROM U.S. CHAMBERS IN 4-5 KEY CITIES. BAHRAINIS WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY FOR TRAVEL, IF HOSTS WOULD PAY FOR ACCOMODATIONS. (NOTE: WE CONSIDER THIS ABSOLUTE REQUIREMENT). PERHAPS A U.S. AIRLINE COULD PROVIDE TRAVEL PROMOTION FILM AND LITERATURESSERE. IF SUCH AN ITINERARY COULD BE ARRANGED THROUGH LOCAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, COULD UYHC FIELD OFFICES WORK WITHIN IT TO SET UP SPECIFIC CONTACTS?

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